

COMMON COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
DECEMBER 13, 2005

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:10 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
  - A. Opening Prayer was given by Mayor Fred Armstrong.
  - B. Pledge – Mayor Fred Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
  - C. Mayor Fred Armstrong introduced the new Council member, Jim Lienhoop. Jim Lienhoop replaces Craig Hawes, who is on active duty with the military stationed in Iraq. Jim Lienhoop represents District 5.
  - D. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Jim Lienhoop, Martha Myers, August Tindell.
  - E. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of November 15, 2005. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

On the Addendum to the Agenda under II. Unfinished Business requiring Council action - Item B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ 2005, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE UTILITY SERVICE BOARD AS PRESENTED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA should have been placed under New Business. George Dutro made a motion to move this Item B. to Item C1 under New Business Requiring Council Action. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- A. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 31, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP, A PART OF TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, RE-ZONING THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM “B-5” (GENERAL BUSINESS) TO “SU-1” (SPECIAL USE-CHURCHES)” (East Columbus Separate Baptist) Laura Thayer with the Planning Department presented this second reading. She briefed the Council as to why this request was made. Discussion followed. Robert Kittle made a motion to pass the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 42, 2005, A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING RESOLUTION NO. 41, 2005, THE DECLARATION OF A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS AND ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND QUALIFYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, IMPROVEMENTS AND MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT,” (Cummins-Scania) Jim Clouse, Special Projects Director, presented this Resolution. Jim Clouse indicated Cummins-Scania XPI Manufacturing L.L.C. would invest \$25,000,000 in the

Cummins Fuel Systems Plant located at 1460 National Road to facilitate in the machining of seven critical components. They estimate 235 new jobs would be created by the end of 2006. George Dutro made a motion to pass the Resolution. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 43, 2005, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7.” (Cummins-Scania) Jim Clouse again presented this Resolution. Robert Kittle indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Cummins-Scania XPI Manufacturing, L.L.C. to be substantial compliance. Council member, George Dutro, asked the Planning Department to draw a dark line around Lot 2A on Exhibit “A” so there would be no confusion regarding the property in question. George Dutro made a motion to pass the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- C. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 44, 2005, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7”(Columbus Container) Jim Clouse, Special Projects Director, along with Bob Haddad, President of Columbus Container, Inc., asked for tax abatement on personal property in conjunction with an expansion of its facilities and purchase of new manufacturing equipment located at 3460 Commerce Drive, Columbus, Indiana. Expansion plans include installing new manufacturing equipment resulting in an approximate investment of \$6,000,000 in personal property. This proposed expansion will allow Columbus Container, Inc. to retain all current 252 full and part time employees. Brooke Tuttle, President of Economic Development Board, spoke on the success of Columbus Container. Robert Kittle indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Columbus Container to be in substantial compliance. George Dutro made a motion to approve the Resolution. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- C1. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 45, 2005, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE UTILITY SERVICE BOARD AS PRESENTED TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA,” Keith Reeves, Director of City Utilities, presented the Resolution asking the Council to approve the 2006 Budget for City Utilities. Discussion followed. Ann DeVore moved to approve the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- D. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2005, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1854.” Chuck Wilt, Park Director, presented this Ordinance. He indicated that the practice of moving the 400 line items (Capital Items) Park Operating General Fund to a non-reverting fund had somehow ceased over the years. He would like to re-establish. There was discussion about the possibility of confusion on the name on the Ordinance not being specific and that there was no fund number included. George Dutro made a

motion to place the Ordinance in proper channels with the stipulation that a new Ordinance be prepared which would include a fund number and the fund being named the "Parks Capital Improvement Non-Reverting Fund. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- E. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO. 46, 2005, A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET." Jim Norris, Director of Public Safety, presented this Resolution. Jim indicated there was a short fall due to the rising cost of diesel fuel. He asked the Council to transfer from his Category 100's to Category 200's in order to avoid the line items being in the negative. Discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- F. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO. 47, 2005 A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE MUNICIPAL TRANSIT DEPARTMENT BUDGET." Jim Norris, Director of Public Safety, presented this Resolution. He asked the money from his Category 400's be moved to his Category 100's in order to correct a shortfall due to the fact he had a person on sick leave with pay but was still required to fill that position during that period of time causing a negative balance. Martha Myers moved to approve. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- G. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO. 48, 2005, A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET." Bill Martin, Police Chief, presented this Resolution. He asked Council to move money in his Category 100's to his Category 300's and 400's with the idea that his Category 400's money would be encumbered to purchase new video equipment. Much discussion followed. Martha Myers moved to amend the Resolution to include the phrase **Category 100's** anywhere the account numbers show as line items. August Tindell seconded the motion to amend. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. George Dutro made a motion to amend the Resolution so it would read \$77,000 would be transferred to Fund 451 Advanced Technology Fund with the sole purpose of purchasing new video equipment. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. Martha Myers moved to approve the amended Resolution. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- H. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. 32, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2006 SALARY ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SALARIES, COMPENSATIONS AND BENEFIT LIMITS FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DELETE THE MEDIC SALARY ORDINANCE FOR 2006." Gary Henderson, Chief of Fire, presented this Ordinance which totally deletes the Medic Salary Ordinance and includes it in the Fire Budget. Much discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to suspend the rules and pass this Ordinance on the first reading. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. George Dutro made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.
- I. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. 33, 2005, AN

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2006 OPERATING BUDGET TO INCREASE THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DELTE MEDIC BUDGET FOR 2006.” Gary Henderson, Chief of Fire, presented this Ordinance. Much Discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to suspend the rules and pass on first reading. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. George Dutro made a motion to amend the Ordinance by including in the “NOW THEREFORE **CLAUSE THAT THE 2006 MEDIC OPERATING BUDGET BE DELETED**”. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. George Dutro moved to approve the amended Ordinance. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

- J. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 34, 2005, ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY PERSONNEL POLICIES OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA PERTAINING TO POLICE AND FIRE CERTIFICATION PAY.” Gary Henderson, Chief of Fire, explained this Ordinance. Much discussion followed regarding whether the police should have the certification pay. George Dutro made a motion to suspend the rules and pass this Ordinance on first reading. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Martha Myers made a motion to amend the Ordinance striking the word “Police” from the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the amended Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

#### IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- B. Next regular scheduled meeting is January 3, 2006.
- C. Adjournment –Ann DeVore moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim Lienhoop seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:07 P.M.

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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

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Columbus City Clerk Treasurer